

# WELLESLEY COLLEGE

## ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING  
Wednesday, September 12, 2018  
Academic Council Room, GRH 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
11:00 am – 12:00 pm

### AGENDA:

- I. Approval of Minutes
  - II. President's Report
  - III. Report of Provost and Dean of the College, Andy Shennan
  - IV. Report of Vice President and Dean of Students, Sheilah Shaw Horton
  - V. Report of Interim Co-Vice Presidents of Resources and Public Affairs, Kimberly Hokanson and Marisa Jaffe
  - VI. Report of Vice President for Finance and Administration & Treasurer, Piper Orton
  - VII. Self-Introduction, Interim Director of Non-Discrimination Initiatives, Sonia Jurado
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- I. Approval of Minutes
  - II. President's Report
    - Welcome back to campus
    - Start of Semester
      - Welcome Class of 2022 – purple class
    - VP of Resources search
    - Task Force on Speech & Inclusion, named last spring 2018
      - Town Hall #1 on Wednesday, September 26, 12:30-2pm in the Academic Council Room
      - Town Hall #2 on Wednesday, October 3, 6-8pm in the Academic Council Room
    - Demonstration Policy
      - Work on creating a more inclusive process
      - Gain feedback for discussion
    - Accreditation Process
      - Completing at the end of this year (March 2019)
      - Visit from Clayton Spencer, President of Bates on Friday, September 28
      - Assistant Provost for Institutional Planning & Assessment, Pamela Taylor will present on October 1<sup>st</sup> Admin Council Meeting



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- Introducing Sonia Jurado: interim Director for Non-Discrimination Initiatives for Wellesley College

### III. Report of Provost and Dean of the College, Andy Shennan

- The Provost Office organized an All-Faculty retreat last May. It will continue to work on various strategies of achieving Inclusive Excellence
- New people, including:
  - New Faculty Director of Pforzheimer Learning and Teaching Center (PLTC)
  - New Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program Director
  - Re-emphasis on the Mellon Mays initiatives to ensure that students are fully supported
- Adjusting to large number of retired faculty from last year – looking into the future. Asking the question: What is the future of the academic program?
- Working with Dean Velenchik – Science Center Renovation center for the next 3 years
- Entering the 10<sup>th</sup> year of the Albright Institute
- Botanic Conference for October theme is: Going Green
- Searches for key leadership roles include: new Athletic Director of PERA, new Associate Provost for Equity, Inclusion & Diversity
- Important to emphasize Task Force on Speech & Inclusion and the work they have been doing
- Provost Remarks from Convocation - Re: Grading Policy

### IV. Report of Vice President and Dean of Students, Sheilah Shaw Horton

- Thank you to all who participated in the New Student Orientation program
- Approach to Student Life this year:
  - Three Words: Embrace students, Engage students, Empower students
    - Embracing their intersectionality
    - Engaging them in their own growth, health, wellness
    - Empower – have them take action on campus and into the world to be the women who will make a difference

### V. Report of Interim Co-Vice Presidents of Resources, Kimberly Hokanson and Marisa Jaffe

- Successful conclusion of the Campaign
  - Thank you & fun facts:
    - We raised \$514,485,911
    - 130,765 individual gifts & commitments
    - 69% of alumnae body made a gift during the campaign



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- Range of class years represented, Class of 1928 through Class of 2022 (2 students from 2022 participated)
      - 3599 first-time donors
      - Raised more than 80 million in new financial aid funds – supporting both international and domestic students
    - Impact of the Campaign is all around, including: a variety of named professorships, Pendleton West, Topping off of Global Flora, upgraded living rooms & residence halls, Butler Boathouse
  - Departure of Cameran Mason: a search is underway
- VI. Report of Vice President for Finance and Administration & Treasurer, Piper Orton
- Highlights of the past year
    - Workday implementation
      - Thriving and surviving Workday
    - Implementation of Voluntary Retirement Program
    - Science Center Transformation
      - Modular units: labs & classrooms
      - Topping Off of Global Flora
      - \$100 million dollar tax-exempt bond issue for this to happen
  - The year ahead
    - Sustainability Committee
      - Co-gen plant has failed
      - Must address power plant – Power4Women Working Group (a committee of the Board of Trustees) made up of students, staff, faculty, and Trustees
    - Elevator in Billings – by end of calendar 2019
    - Increasing transparency about the budget – attend Wellesley College Budget 201 later in the fall
- VII. Self-Introduction, Interim Director of Non-Discrimination Initiatives, Sonia Jurado
- Introduce self and reintroduce Office - 2 years old
  - The Office focuses on Non-Discrimination Initiatives
  - Office deals with more than Title IX - also addresses discrimination based on race, religion, disability, national origin, etc.
  - Office is a resource for employees, staff, faculty, and everyone else within the Wellesley community.



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### Open Mic/Announcements

- Rachael Coombes, Business Intelligence Specialist, LTS:
  - The Compensation & Personnel Policy Committee requested that the community respond to their anonymous survey to determine which area(s) the committee should focus on this academic year
- Megan Cassidy, Assistant Director of Communications & External Relations from the Wellesley Centers for Women:
  - Everyone is invited to attend the Wellesley Centers for Women Lunchtime Seminar Series, which begins on September 27 at 12:30 p.m. in the Lulu Chow Wang Campus Center.
  - The first program will feature former Wellesley College President Barbara Newell. She will be introduced by President Johnson, then President Newell will speak with NPR's Linda Wertheimer and WCW's Layli Maparyan about the early days of WCW and its social change legacy.

### NOTE:

- Please enter the Lottery to win the \$2,000 Vacation Prize. At the beginning of each meeting, fill out one of the pieces of paper on the table with your name, department, and phone extension. If you don't enter, you can't win!
- If you have any questions or topic suggestions for future meetings, please contact the chair, Jake Sisco.

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**The next meeting will be held on Monday, October 1st, 11am-12pm**

